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(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Today's stock market was almost idle, and the drift of prices was insignificant. Yesterday's set-back to the rally, which occurred on Thursday, discouraged the traders from attempting to move prices. Today's trading indicated that the market was awaiting some new developments to give an impetus to prices. The market was almost stagnant, and easy, but with small losses on day.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Money on call nominal; no loans. Time loans steady; sixty days 3 per cent; ninety days 3 1/4 per cent; one to four months 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4 1/4 to 4 1/2. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 48 1/2. Gold exchange steady; sixty days 4 1/4 to 4 1/2. United States bonds were unchanged on call for this week. Total sales were 54,000 shares.

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RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Table listing various stocks such as Virginia Centuries, Metropolitan Bank, and State Securities with their respective prices and changes.

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 27.—Seaboard Air Line common, 100; preferred, 100. Atlantic Coast Line common and preferred, not quoted.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—The cotton market opened firm at a decline of 3 points to 12 1/2 cents. The market showed increasing strength as the call period neared its close. The market was active and higher, with a few scattered sales. The market was active and higher, with a few scattered sales.

COTON FUTURES OPENED FIRM AND CLOSED STEADY.

Cotton futures opened firm and closed steady. Open: 11 1/2. Close: 11 1/2. March: 14.20. April: 14.20. May: 14.20. June: 14.20. July: 14.20. August: 14.20. September: 14.20. October: 14.20. November: 14.20. December: 14.20.

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Official Range and Sale of Stocks in New York

Table showing stock prices by Thomas Branch & Co., Bankers and Brokers. Columns include Open, High, Low, Closing, Bid, and Asked for various stocks like Amalgamated Copper, Amer. Car and Foundry, etc.

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS.

Table listing bond quotations for various issues such as U.S. refunding 4s, Chicago and Northwestern 4s, etc.

PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—FLOUR—Quiet, but firm. Minnesota patent, 4.25 to 4.50. Rye flour, 4.00 to 4.25. Corn meal, 3.00 to 3.25. Sugar, 10.00 to 10.50. Coffee, 15.00 to 16.00. Tea, 20.00 to 25.00. Spices, 10.00 to 15.00.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—Apples, 1.00 to 1.50. Oranges, 1.00 to 1.50. Lemons, 1.00 to 1.50. Peaches, 1.00 to 1.50. Pears, 1.00 to 1.50. Plums, 1.00 to 1.50. Raisins, 1.00 to 1.50. Beans, 1.00 to 1.50. Peas, 1.00 to 1.50. Potatoes, 1.00 to 1.50.

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WHEAT—No. 2.

Table showing wheat prices for No. 2, No. 3, and No. 4 grades, including cash and futures prices.

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FLOUR—Continues in fair demand; receipts very light. Wheat—Receipts light; market active. Corn—Receipts light; market active. Beans—Receipts light; market active. Peas—Receipts light; market active. Potatoes—Receipts light; market active.

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THE AMELIA DROWNING.

Noble Lives Sacrificed in Effort to Save a Little Girl. Mrs. Robert L. Bailey and Miss Clara Powell were the first to reach them, and in the brave attempt to save the little girl, she was the first to reach them, and in the brave attempt to save the little girl, she was the first to reach them.

THE IDEAL SERMON.

Richmond is to have an illustrated sermon to-night. The Rev. Steady will preach at his church the Broad Memorial, and the Rev. Steady will preach at his church the Broad Memorial, and the Rev. Steady will preach at his church the Broad Memorial.

THE OLDEST BALE.

Mr. Samuel Fleming, of Cross Hill, S. C., perhaps owns the oldest bale of cotton in the country. This cotton was made and ginned during the war by Mr. Thomson, Mr. Fleming's father-in-law. The baling and roping had long since been eaten away by rats, and it was necessary to rebale the rather ancient staple. The bale is of average weight and is classed middling.

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TOBACCO MARKET.

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